## ABSTRACT AMENDMENTS

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The invention pertains to aA multimeter instrument for measuring a plurality of variables, such as the electrical current or, voltage of an electrical signal, or the electrical resistance of a circuit, the instrument comprising a plurality of measurement means each associated with a predetermined variable, and device (20) for selection of the variable to be measured. According to the invention, selection device (20) comprises touch sensitive includes touch-sensitive zones (21) for selection of the variable to be measured, and a means of activating the. The measurement means circuit associated with the variable selected with the aid of touch-sensitive selection zones (21) is activated by the zone selected.